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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication, PS Docket No. 06-229

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 13, 2011, Kevin Krufky, Jeffrey Marks, Morgan Wright, and Michael McMennamin and – by phone – Fran O'Brien, Maria Palamara, and Michael Dolan, all of Alcatel-Lucent, met with Pat Amodio, Gene Fullano, Behzad Ghaffari, Clifford Gonsalves, Michael Ha, Brian Hurley, Walter Johnston, Jason Kim, and Jennifer Manner of the Commission.

At the meeting, the attendees from Alcatel-Lucent discussed the company's experience with open standards processes and advocated that open standards should be used for deploying the nationwide public safety broadband network ("PSBN"). The attached documents served as the basis of Alcatel-Lucent's presentation: (1) PowerPoint slides describing potential standards setting bodies that would ensure open standards are used for implementation of the PSBN, and providing examples of commercial standards that could facilitate deployment of public safety applications and devices; (2) a description of the IJIS Institute's Consensus Standards Cooperative; and (3) an excerpt of Alcatel-Lucent's legislative proposal offered to lawmakers in relation to Senate Bill S.911, which mandates use of open standards in the PSBN unless approval is first obtained to deviate from open standards technology.

During the meeting, Commission staff asked about the letter submitted in Docket No. 06-229 on September 9, 2011 by a coalition of companies (including Alcatel-Lucent) that are advocating for open standards and competition in jurisdictions moving forward with PSBN projects. Alcatel-Lucent confirmed its support of the contents of the letter and its intent that further information be provided on the record in the future related to ways to ensure a competitive environment for the PSBN.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions in connection with this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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